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Dear Len:

To yours of the 31st.

Cann was here the other day and we had a pleasant chat over future prospects in the application of experimental genetics to medicine. I told him, as I have already mentioned to you, that it will be up to you to decide whether you want him for a laboratory colleague. Our training grant has been deferred for payment for a few months but there is no conceivable doubt that the funds will be available for Cann. He seems reasonably content with the stipend level that will be available, as I think he should be, and I rather doubt that he will do any better from any other source.

As to the remodeling, I will do whatever I reasonably can in advance of your arrival but am not too optimistic as to how far we can go. The best thing to do is for you to send as detailed specifications as you can and I will push them as far as reasonable. The training grant delay does slow us up as we don't have very much cash in the bank until that comes through.

Yours as ever,

Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Genetics